



May 26, 2011

Andrew McGilvray  
Executive Secretary  
Foreign-Trade Zones Board  
International Trade Administration  
U.S. Department of Commerce  
1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Room 2111  
Washington, DC 20230

Re: Foreign-Trade Zones Board Proposed Rule  
75 *Federal Register* 82340-82362, December 30, 2010  
Docket No. ITA-2010-0012 and also refer to RIN 0625-AA81

Dear Mr. McGilvray:

Please accept this letter as official comment for the proposed regulatory changes of the Foreign-Trade Zone Board (RIN 0625-AA81). We thank you and your staff for the time and effort involved in drafting these new regulations. As the FTZ #114 Grantee, the Economic Development Council for Central Illinois (EDC, Inc.) fully supports the Foreign-Trade Zone program as the most flexible trade-related program made available by the U.S. Government. EDC, Inc. is vested to promote and assist private sector business development thereby advancing job opportunities and economic well-being to the Peoria Metro area.

Comments:

- The Foreign-Trade Zone program is complicated in itself. It would be helpful if the language is clarified and the associated definitions listed in the document.
- In addition, the length of the document is cumbersome and could be streamlined for ease of reading and comprehension.
- The new regulations will impact the Grantee's marketing and recruiting efforts of potential users/operators. For example, the additional reporting and complexity will hinder our ability to engage business.

We appreciate your full consideration of these comments. Thank you for the extra time allocated to the comment period.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vickie Clark". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Vickie Clark  
President